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Letter dated 21 February 1991 from the Representatives of France and Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon the instructions of our Governments, we have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a joint statement issued at the end of the talks held at Hanoi on 1 to 2 February 1991 between Mr. Ali Alatas and Mrs. Edwige Avice, Co-Presidents of the Paris Conference on Cambodia, and Mr. Nguyen Co Thach, Vice-Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam (see annex).

We would be grateful if you could have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 24 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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Annex

Joint statement issued at the end of the talks held at Hanoi on 1 and 2 February 1991 between the two Co-Presidents of the Paris Conference on Cambodia and the Vietnamese leaders

The two Co-Presidents of the Paris Conference on Cambodia, Mr. Ali Alatas and Mrs. Edwige Avice, accompanied by Mr. Rafeeuddin Ahmed, Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, held talks with Mr. Nguyen Co Thach, Vice-Chairman of the Council of Ministers and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam, at Hanoi on 1 and 2 February 1991. They were also received by Mr. Vo Chi Cong, Chairman of the Council of State and by Mr. Nguyen Van Linh, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Viet Nam.

During these meetings, extensive discussions were held on the draft plan for a comprehensive political settlement of the Cambodia conflict. The Vietnamese side reiterated its acceptance of the framework document of the permanent members of the Security Council of 28 August 1990 as the basis for settling the Cambodia conflict. All sides agreed that there must be full respect for the sovereignty of the Cambodian nation.

The two Co-Presidents and the Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations presented comments and provided explanations on the draft agreements of 26 November 1990. The Vietnamese side welcomed the results of the meeting between the 12 members of the Supreme National Council and the two Co-Presidents and the Representative of the Secretary-General in Paris from 21 to 23 December 1990. The Vietnamese side expressed its appreciation for explanations provided by the two Co-Presidents and the Representative of the Secretary-General and reaffirmed their willingness to support the efforts of the two Co-Presidents to resolve the remaining issues. Towards this end, it was agreed that it may be useful for the two Co-Presidents to hold another meeting with the members of the Supreme National Council to pave the way for the reconvening of the Co-ordinating Committee of the Paris Conference. In order to enable the Paris Conference to be reconvened in an atmosphere propitious to national reconciliation, it is essential for all parties to the conflict to exercise genuine restraint.

The two Co-Presidents and the Vietnamese side agreed on the urgency of a comprehensive political settlement of the Cambodian conflict. They will spare no effort towards this end.